Chapter 7 Subcontracting

Section 1. Prime Contracting Responsibilities

7-100. General. This section addresses the responsibilities and authorities of prime contractors concerning the release of classified SAP information to subcontractors. Prior to any release of classified information to a prospective subcontractor, the prime contractor will determine the scope of the bid and procurement effort. Prime contractors will use extreme caution **when** conducting business with **non-Program-briefed** subcontractors to preclude the release of information that would divulge Program-related (classified or unclassified Program sensitive) information.

7-101. Determining Clearance Status of Prospective Subcontractors. AU prospective subcontractor personnel will have the appropriate security clearance and meet the investigative criteria as specified in this Supplement prior to being briefed into a SAP. The eligibility criteria will be determined in accordance with the NISPOM and this Supplement. For acknowledged Programs, in the event a prospective subcontractor does not have the appropriate security clearances, the prime contractor will request that the cognizant PSO initiate the appropriate security clearance action. A determination will be made in coordination with the PSO as to the levels of facility clearance a prospective subcontractor facility has for access to classified information and the storage capability level.

7-102. **Security Agreements and Briefings.** In the precontract phase, the prime contractor wil I fully advise the prospective subcontractor (prior to any release of SAP information) of the procurement's enhanced special security requirements. Arrangements for subcontractor Program access will be **pre-coordinated** with the PSO. When approved by the PSO, the prime contractor CPSO will provide Program indoctrinations and obtain NDAs from the subcontractors. A security requirements agreement will be prepared that specifically addresses those enhanced security requirements that apply to the subcontractor. The security requirements agreement may include the **following** elements, when applicable:

a. General Security Requirements.

- b. Reporting Requirements.
- c. Physical and/or Technical Security Requirements.
- d. Release of Information.
- e. Program Classified Control or Accountability.
- f. Personnel Access Controls.
- g. Security Classification Guidance.
- h. Automated Information System.
- i. Security Audits and Reviews.
- j. Program Access Criteria.
- k. Subcontracting.
- 1. Transmittal of Program Material.
- m. Storage.
- n. Testing and/or Manufacturing.
- o. Program Travel.
- p. Finances.
- q. Sanitization of Classified Material.
- r. Security Costs and Charging Policy.
- s. Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Reporting.
- t. Test Planning.
- u. OPSEC.
- v. TEMPEST.

7-103. Transmitting Security Requirements.

Contract Security Classification Specifications prepared by the prime contractor will be coordinated with the GPM/PSO and contracting officer prior to transmitting to the subcontractor. Contract Security Classification Specifications prepared by the prime contractor will be forwarded to the GPM/PSO and contracting officer for coordination and signature.